

1-1 By: Turner of Tarrant (Senate Sponsor - West) H.B. No. 1222  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 15, 2013;  
 1-3 April 17, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Jurisprudence; May 9, 2013, reported favorably by the following  
 1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 9, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 West	X			
1-8 Rodriguez	X			
1-9 Campbell	X			
1-10 Carona			X	
1-11 Garcia	X			
1-12 Hancock	X			
1-13 Paxton	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to venue for certain alleged violations or offenses under  
 1-18 the Water Safety Act.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Section 31.126(a), Parks and Wildlife Code, is  
 1-21 amended to read as follows:

1-22 (a) Venue for an alleged violation or offense under the  
 1-23 provisions of this chapter is in the justice court, ~~or~~ county  
 1-24 court, or municipal court having jurisdiction where the violation  
 1-25 or offense was committed.

1-26 SECTION 2. Section 31.126(a), Parks and Wildlife Code, as  
 1-27 amended by this Act, applies only to a violation that occurs or an  
 1-28 offense that is committed on or after the effective date of this  
 1-29 Act. A violation that occurs or an offense that is committed before  
 1-30 the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when  
 1-31 the violation occurred or the offense was committed, and the former  
 1-32 law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this  
 1-33 section, a violation occurs or an offense is committed before the  
 1-34 effective date of this Act if any element of the violation or  
 1-35 offense occurs or is committed before that date.

1-36 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-37 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-38 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-39 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-40 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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